UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

MICHELLE LYNNE KOSILEK,

Petitioner,

Civil Action

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No. 04-11591-RCL

KATHLEEN DENNEHY,

Respondent.

ORDER

On July 14, 2004, petitioner Michelle Lynne Kosilek filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus under Section 2254 and named the current commissioner of the Department of Correction as Respondent.

- (1) The Clerk shall correct the case caption to reflect that the only respondent to this action is Luis Spencer. A writ of habeas corpus must be "directed to the person having custody of the person detained." 28 U.S.C. § 2243. Petitioner's legal custodian is the superintendent of MCI Norfolk, the individual having day-to-day control over the facility in which petitioner is being detained. Vasquez v. Reno, 233 F.3d 688, 694 (1st Cir. 2000), cert. denied, sub nom. Vasquez v. Ashcroft, 534 U.S. 816 (2001); Mass. Gen. Laws ch.125, § 14 (the superintendent shall be responsible for the custody and control of all prisoners in the correctional institution);
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 4 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases, the Clerk of this Court shall serve a copy of the Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus by mailing copies of the same, certified mail, to (i) Luis Spencer, Superintendent, MCI Norfolk, P.O. Box 43, Norfolk, MA 02056, and (ii) Cathryn Neaves, Chief, Appellate Division, Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, One Ashburton Place, 18th Floor, Boston, MA 02108-1598.
- (3) It is further ordered that Respondent shall, within 20 days of receipt of this Order, file an answer (or other proper responsive pleading) to the Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus; AND
- (4) This Court further requests Respondent, as part of the return, to file such documents which reflect on whether Petitioner has exhausted his available state remedies with respect to the matters raised by the Petition.

7/19/2004	s/ Reginald C. Lindsay
DATE	UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE